Exhibit 1 Declaration of Applicants



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EXAMINER: Christian D. Wilson

APPLICANT: Ashton et al.

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FOR: ULTRA-HIGH DENSITY STORAGE DEVICE USING PHASE CHANGE DIODE MEMORY CELLS AND METHODS OF FABRICATION

THEREOF

RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

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DECLARATION OF GARY R. ASHTON UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131

Assistant Commissioner of Patent and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

- I, Gary R. Ashton, declare as follows:
- 1. I am a named co-inventor in the above-captioned patent application and of the subject matter described and claimed therein.
- 2. The invention in the above-captioned patent application was conceived and reduced to practice by Gary A. Gibson, Robert N. Bicknell-Tassius and me, collaborating as co-inventors.

- 3. The invention as described and claimed in the above-captioned US patent application No. 10/654189 was reduced to practice in the United States by Gary A. Gibson, Robert N. Bicknell-Tassius, and me prior to May 1, 2003, the effective date of the Chaiken 499 Published Patent Application.
- 4. Exhibit 2, attached hereto, is a redacted copy of run logs showing results of the utilization of the claimed invention. Exhibit 2 discloses run log C1462 and run log C1464, both run under my supervision, in collaboration with Gary A. Gibson and Robert N. Bicknell-Tassius. Both run logs C1462 and C1464 show reduction to practice by disclosing samples having In₂Se₃ on a CIGS substrate. The term "CIGS", as disclosed in the above captioned patent application, refers to CuInSe doped with gallium to form various stoichiometric materials of copper indium gallium selenide including but not limited to (Cu(In,Ga)Se₂) and Cu(In_{1-x}Ga_x)Se₂. The claimed invention having a substrate containing molybdenum is also disclosed on run log 1464.
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DATED this 28 day of July, 2005.

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<u>DECLARATION OF ROBERT N. BICKNELL-TASSIUS</u> <u>UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131</u>

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- I, Robert N. Bicknell-Tassius, declare as follows:
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Gary A. Gibson

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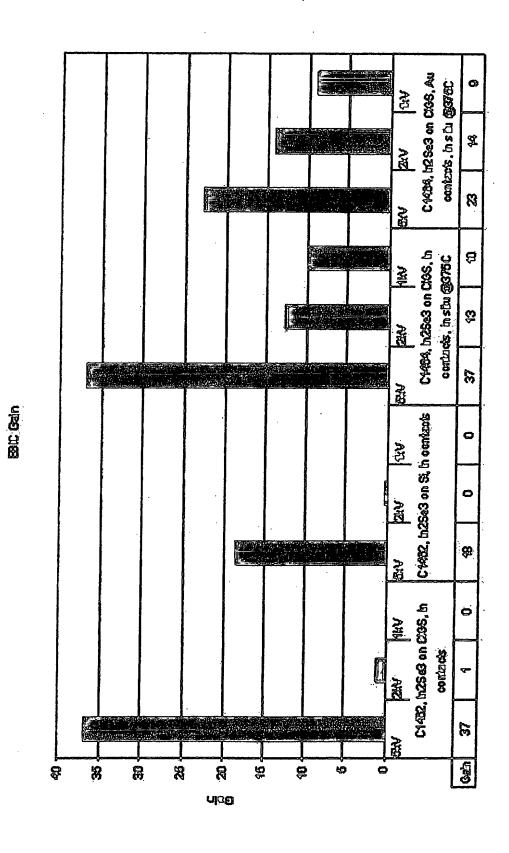
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